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FEBRUARY 23 for FEBRUARY 28 ISSUE

Rochester Woman's Club

TOWN WARRANT TO BE DISCUSSED

On Wednesday, February 21st, the Rochester Woman's Club will be host to the Board of Selectmen who will explain the town warrant. The meeting, to be held at 7:30 P.M. at the clubhouse, is open to all Rochester residents. Refreshments will be served. Included in the town warrant is a nursing service bought through the town of Marion for the Rochester residents on Medicare, sponsored by the Rochester Woman's Club.

Dates for the third annual Antiques Show and Sale have been set for April 19, 20 and 21, 1968 at the clubhouse.

Dr. Charles B. Regan, director of Pupil Personnel Services, Old Rochester School District, gave an enlightening talk on programs now used in the school system, and proposed Federal programs.

A change of date of the March 6th meeting to March 13th at 8:00 P.M. was announced.

Guest speaker for the March 13th meeting will be Mr. Wesley Vokey, director of the Bristol County Health Association. Mrs. George E. Church, chairman of Public Health, is in charge. Mrs. Fred Church will be refreshment chairman.

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Drug Panel Warns

In reporting on the meeting of the Mattapoisett Parent-Teachers Club held last Thursday night, the Friday article in the Standard Times read "Mattapoisett Panel Agrees Use of Marijuana 'Harmless'". Mr. James F. Hicks, Jr., president of the club and moderator of the panel, said he was shocked and stunned when he read the headline and the article.

Mr. Hicks contacted the editor of the Standard Times and discovered that the article had not been printed as written by the reporter. On Saturday the paper printed another short article stating that the headlines had been misleading. Mr. Hicks stated that the panel definitely did not agree that the use of marijuana was harmless.

The parents and teenagers present at the meeting Thursday at Old Rochester Regional High School were welcomed by the moderator, James F. Hicks. "It may appear un-

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usual," he said, "for an elementary school parent-teacher group to be sponsoring this type of program. The executive board felt that the subject was of such timely importance and interest that the discussion would be a public service to the community. It would be nice," he continued, "to say that we in Mattapoisett do not have to concern ourselves about this type of problem. For

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surely 'our' students would not become involved. We know, unfortunately, that this is not true. There have been numerous incidents of drug abuse in adjoining communities and we know that we are not immune to those influences."

After welcoming the group, Mr. Hicks introduced Mr. Charles Furze, a retired member of the State Police, who talked on the different types of drugs. Furze elaborated on the types of drugs and the dangers in using them promiscuously. The discussion following Mr. Furze's talk brought out that research was continuing as to the effects of all drugs including marijuana. It was specifically noted that one of the greatest dangers of the use of marijuana was that the user might desire a stronger drug and become addicted.

Other members of the panel were Miss Hedwige Jaworek, a retired lieutenant-commander in the Navy Nurse Corps; Miss Joanne Bessette and Philip Cusick, outstanding senior students at Old Rochester.

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Editorial

The Mattapoisett Parent-Teachers Club



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has acted to bring informed people to the area to discuss one of the most dangerous infections ever to menace the young. The circle of drug addiction has been steadily widening as these victims become the salesmen in order to finance their habit. It is valuable to be informed and particularly before the fact. As another source of information, we recommend the series of Channel 4 TV by-lined reports now in progress on the early evening news. In a number of interviews, drug users, teenage drug experimenters and older people have appeared on TV to relate their experiences as novices and as addicts. It is rather interesting to note that the teenage youngster is particularly vulnerable to experimentation because of overwhelming feelings of inadequacy. One 20 year old now trying to rehabilitate himself, stated

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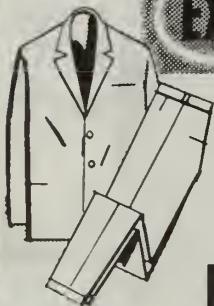
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that he started because he wanted to be with an "in" group. The group used drugs. He started on drugs to be one of the gang. While under the influence he lost his feeling of inferiority. Soon he began depending on narcotics for this reason. Soon he graduated to more potent drugs because the effects wore off sooner as his body became conditioned. Now he is in the third year of a terrible struggle to overcome the addiction so he can return to a normal life. A man in his late forties told of an experience which almost duplicates this 20 year old's story. In his case, the older man had been in and out of jail and the hospital all of his adult life. Home, family, friends, decent job have been sacrificed for narcotics. In most all of the cases presented to date the first narcotic used was

marijuana. This is the step that breaks the ice. In every person there is a built-in wall of character beyond which he will not cross. Everyone, who is not a fool, knows the danger of the addictive drugs. Still, if the weak willed individual can be taunted, if he can be induced to cross the line one time then the wall is down. Although the long term effects of marijuana are still being studied for the effect of mind on the nervous system and physical effect, little is known for certain, and the fact is that this drug is the first step on the road to addiction.

Last week, the series presented a photograph of an 18 year old user of "speed". This boy was shown in February as normal. In March his photo showed a marked difference. His eyes were sunken and cheeks hollowed. In April, the same boy had seemingly aged forty years. His hairline has receded, his eyes bulged, his face was a death's head. In a swift three months' span this boy had deteriorated into a walking dead man and he probably started with "pot". Everyone of these addicts, without exception, felt that he could take or leave the drug. A 16 year old high school girl, inter-

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viewed in a school corridor, explained that she was a social user of drugs. "I wouldn't care if the earth opened up and swallowed all of the drugs," she said. Having heard the stories of the addicts, the viewer just wonders how long it will be before she will do anything on earth to get the next fix.

This evil infection needs to be brought out into the open. The Parent-Teachers Club has done a great service in bringing out the problem. Channel 4 is doing a fine job of exposing the exploitation of the weak personality and the effect that it has on his or her life. As one addict put it, "It's a living death".

Grange

Mattapoisett Grange held its bi-monthly meeting last Thursday night. Sippican Pomona master, Paul Ouellette, and his officers were welcomed by the worthy master, Susan Bence, who presented the gavel to the Pomona master, who, with his offi-



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The Grange charter was draped for the late Mrs. Jennie Toolis by the worthy chaplain, Mrs. Rebecca Downing, assisted by Miss Susan Bence, Mrs. Rebecca Day and Manuel Roderick, with church music by Walter Caswell. Knowing of Jennie Toolis' love for singing, it was voted to purchase song books as a memorial to her. Mrs. Mildred LeBaron, Mrs. Ruby Barber and Albert Pemberton were appointed the resolution committee.

Pomona Lecturer, Audrey Ouellette, conducted a program of games that was much enjoyed.

A night with the authors, with Olive Gifford in charge, will be the program for March 7th. She is planning a most interesting and

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unusual program.

Guests were Edna Day, a member of the State Home and Community Service program; Charles Westgate, Pomona representative; Masters Robert Ouellette of Rochester, Manuel Roderick of Fairhaven and Mildred Allen of Old Colony South Pomona; and Marjorie Morris and Lou Gurney of the State Grange.

Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel LeBaron, Mrs. Mary Bumpus and daughter, Mary.



Andrew Patterson, right, president of the Marion-Mattapoisett Kiwanis Club, greets Robert Fugue, lieutenant governor of the New England District Kiwanis, at a Valentine dinner-dance held last Tuesday at the Colonial Coach in Marion.

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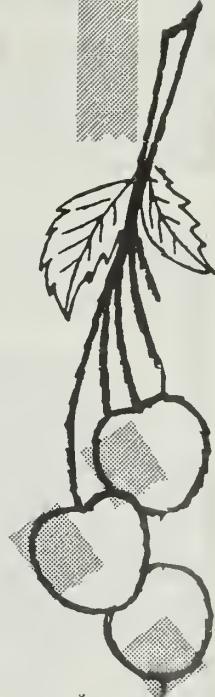
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Mrs. Edna L. Borden and Mrs. Ada B. Cowing, former Marion residents and now living in Wareham, attended the Lincoln Day dinner, sponsored by the Plymouth County Republican Club, and held at Ridder's Country Club in East Bridgewater.

The master of ceremonies, Sheriff Adnah H. Harlow, recognized Mrs. Borden and Mrs. Cowing for their long period of service to the Republican Party.

Those attending from Marion included Commander and Mrs. Darrough Gurney, Mrs. Myrtle Vose, Mrs. Margaret DeCosta, Mrs. Leila B. Sherman, Mrs. Kathryn E. Nowak



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I feel I must comment on the apathy projected at the panel discussion on drug abuse that was held at the Old Rochester Regional High School on February 15, 1968. The turnout was pathetically small, considering the serious nature of the subject matter. In my opinion, the people present were all too ready to accept without action the fact that drug abuse does exist among our high school students.

The panelists did not give a true picture of the problem as it exists at Old Rochester Regional. The intentions of the Mattapoisett Parent-Teachers Club were honorable in presenting the program, but concrete results were lacking due to the apathy amongst our educational leaders which was dramatically pointed out by the conspicuous absence of our revered School Committee.

Perhaps it is understandable why no great concern was aroused in our community by reports of raids on houses in Dedham, Needham, Revere and countless other faraway towns. When these raids started occurring in New Bedford, Fairhaven and finally on January 31, 1968, in Mattapoisett, however, I can't possibly understand why the enthusiasm for such a panel discussion did not fill the Gilbert D. Bristol auditorium.

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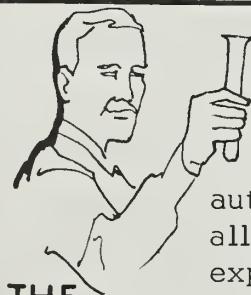
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PRE-TOWN MEETING

A pre-town meeting will be held at the Mattapoisett Town Hall auditorium on Monday, March 18th. Members of the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen will be present to answer questions pertaining to the town warrant.

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At the last meeting on the National Gallery of Art, Washington, D. C., 21 club members were fascinated by the pictures and discussion presented under the guidance of tour chairman of the day, Miss Clara Beetle, assisted by Mrs. Luen M. Johnson and Mrs. Albert D. Furnans at whose home the program was held.

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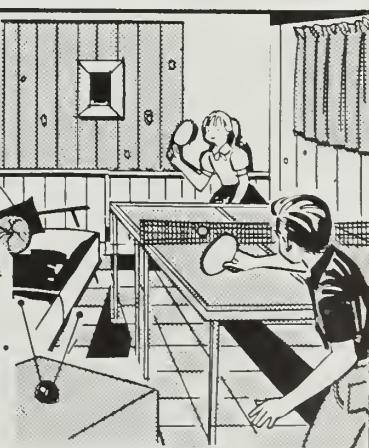
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Exotic international dining will also be a pastime and the group will have an opportunity to enjoy an assortment of Hawaii's best in Chinese, Japanese, Polynesian, Filipino, Korean and various other foods.

Another interesting place of interest will be the Academy of Arts where visitors will have a leisurely look at interesting galleries that house one of the finest collections of Asian arts. An authentic Chinese courtyard complete with a bamboo garden and a priceless collection of Korean celadon vases and scrolls are a part of the permanent exhibit.

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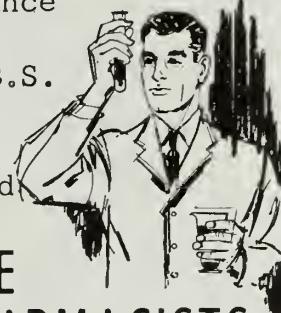
YWCA Annual Hobby and Craft Show is scheduled for April 6 and 7 from 1 to 9 P.M. Mrs. Kenneth E. Liberty is chairman and Mrs. George B. Mock, Jr. is assistant chairman.

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(1) Control the tone of your voice: Your voice can easily signify approval or disapproval to your dog. For example, to teach him not to do something, accompany the correction with a firm "No!" in a low tone. A "Good dog!" should be delivered with higher-pitched enthusiasm to let him

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(2) Train your dog in a quiet place: Give him his lessons in a special place where he won't be distracted from his training by too "helpful" passers-by, or that good looking dog next door! Remember, too, some dogs--like children--learn more quickly than others, and training should not be begun until the pup is five or six months old.

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You may also have to continue the upward pull on the leash to keep him from lying down. If he should lie down anyway, don't correct him by jerking the leash. Instead,

reach down, and with your right hand between his forelegs raise him to a sitting position. Pet him to show approval, and keep your hand pressed to his rump long enough for him to understand what you want. If he resists the first few times, return to the heel command and let him walk for awhile. Then repeat this procedure, and in about 10 days your pupil should be performing perfectly!

(6) Teach your dog to "Stay": Stay is an elaboration of sit, but takes longer because it demands more of the dog. First tell him to "sit", holding the leash in your left hand, with you on his right. Bring your right hand up to his face, palm flat and say "Stay". If he moves, give a short jerk back on the leash and make him sit, repeating the command. Do it for only a few seconds at a time at first, then for longer, and move away from him while you slacken the leash. If he gets up to follow you, go back to the same spot, and make him sit and stay again.

(7) Take him for short drives to teach him to sit still in the car: This will get him used to a moving vehicle. Hold him in your lap at first or sit him on the seat beside you with your arm around him for confidence and sup-

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